

Application No. 09/939,804  
Reply to Office Action of March 9, 2004

**REMARKS**

Applicants wish to thank Examiner Kiliman for the helpful and courteous discussion with Applicants' Representative on January 25, 2005. As discussed, Applicants submit herewith a corrected Terminal Disclaimer.

In addition, also as discussed, Applicants submit Certified English Translations of the Japanese priority documents of the present invention, JP 2000-256775 and JP 2000-262611, filed **August 28 and 31, 2000**, respectively. Applicants have thus perfected their claim to priority. This also removes the corresponding Japanese and European applications of US 6,534,176 (filed **December 6, 2000**) as well as the US patent as prior art references. JP 2001-163613 published **June 19, 2001**, and EP 1106574 published **June 13, 2001**. See the attached Derwent Search Report for the publication dates.

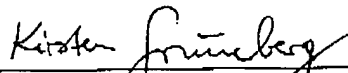
This amendment was not earlier presented because the error was not earlier detected. Applicants submit that the amendment does not require further search or consideration. No new matter has been added. Entry and favorable consideration are respectfully requested.

Applicants submit that the present application remains in condition for allowance and the Examiner is requested to pass this case to Issue.

Respectfully submitted,

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 ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001-354307 [37] WPINDEX  
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 TITLE: Laminated scaly silica particles, useful in adhesives and  
 for forming heat insulating coatings, consist of  
 secondary particles of foliar silica overlaid one on  
 another and aligned face-to-face in parallel.  
 DERWENT CLASS: A60 E36  
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EP 1106574	A1	20010613	(200141)	EN		C01B033-12	
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